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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

COX ET AL.

Examiner

CongVan Tran

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 January 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-25 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 8 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 3-19 and 23-25 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1 and 20-22 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 3 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to amendment filed on Jan. 27, 2005.
2. Claims 3-7, 9-16, 19, and 24-25 have been amended.
3. Claim 8 has been canceled.

Response to Arguments

4. In response to applicant's argument regarding claim 1, that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., "in no place in Kitahara do they mention storing data related to probably language spoken according to geographical location and further nothing in Kitahara that discloses or discusses transmitting to the wireless device to the wireless device"). Examiner respectfully disagrees Kitahara discloses the speech interpretation which is translating speech pronounced by user in a first language into a second language and outputting the translated speech in audio via network node including the language translation means which is stored the data related to language spoken (see fig.1, elements 7) and further transmit the translated speech to the user in form of second language depend on the location the user wish to use (fig.1, and its description). With broadest reasonable interpretation therefor the previous rejection is proper.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

6. Claim 1, 20-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kitahara et al. (2002/0046035).

Regarding claim 1, Kitahara discloses a system for providing location-based translation services through a wireless device, the system (see fig.1, element 1 and its description) comprising: a network node storing data related to probable languages spoken according to geographic location, the network node transmitting to the wireless device a target language according to the location of the wireless device (see fig.1, elements 1000, 7, 10 and its description).

Regarding claim 20, Kitahara discloses a system for providing location-based translation services through a wireless device, the system (see fig.1, element 1 and its description) comprising: receiving a first message in a first language (see fig.18, step 104 and its description); providing associated first text of the received message in a first window (see fig.5, element 101, fig.18, step 105 and its description); and upon user approval of the first text, translating the first text into a second language and providing second text in a second window in the second language (see fig.5, element 101, fig.18, steps 107-109 and its description).

Regarding claims 21-22, Kitahara further discloses audibly speaking from the device in the second language a translation of the first message (see fig.1, fig.18, steps 110 and its description).

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claim 3 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
8. Claims 3-7, 9-19, and 23-25 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CongVan Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-7871. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Trost can be reached on 571-272-7872. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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